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STATE URGES CONTRACTORS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEW ONLINE RENEWAL SYSTEM

HONOLULU – The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (DCCA) Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (PVL) and the Contractors Licensing Board (CLB) are encouraging more than 11,000 licensed contractors to renew their licenses online at www.ehawaii.gov/pvlrenew.

The department urges all eligible participants to take advantage of this new renewal system that is being offered, for the first time, to Hawaii's licensed contractors. The department worked with the Hawaii Department of Taxation (DOTAX) to electronically automate the verification of Hawaii State tax clearance compliance for contractors, thereby enabling this new service.

"This new service is a big step forward in the state's support of our busy community of contractors," said DCCA Director Mark Recktenwald. "Renewing online is faster and easier than renewing by paper. This is yet another example of the innovative online services that are possible when state departments work together to improve efficiency and better serve the public," said DCCA director Mark Recktenwald.

Instructions for completing the online renewal have been mailed to each current license holder. Renewal fees may be paid electronically via debit or credit card. Contractors may renew online until midnight on September 30, 2006. After that date, renewals will not be accepted online and contractors wishing to renew their license must submit their renewal by mail or in person to:

DCCA/PVL Licensing Branch
335 Merchant Street, Room 301
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The development of this online service is part of the state's overall campaign to improve efficiency by implementing electronic government services. Currently ehawaii.gov has more than 30 online applications that residents, businesses and even visitors may use to conduct business with the state government via the Internet.

Hawaii's official Internet portal, ehawaii.gov, is managed by Hawaii Information Consortium, LLC (HIC). HIC works with state agencies to enable them to conduct state business online and improve public access to government information.

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